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The Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

As a preliminary amendment, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Cancel the claims presently on file without prejudice and substitute therefor the following set of 17 claims.

- 1. A dynamically branded transaction execution system consisting of:
 - a) at least two selected institutions;
 - b) at least one shared transaction execution device for accessing the selected institutions;
 - c) a processing and routing system for operatively coupling the selected institutions to the device; and